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In Re the Application of: Sim, Gee-Kee Yang, Shumin Sellins, Karen S. Serial No.: 09/646,561 Filed: September 19, 2000 Atty. File No.: IM-1-C1-PUS For: "CANINE AND FELINE B7-2 NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES AND USES THEREOF" (Amended)

Group Art Unit: 1644 **TECH CENTER 1600/290** Examiner: Jessica H. Roark

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This response is directed to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 17, 2002. Applicants attach hereto a Petition for a two-month extension of time along with the requisite fee. Applicants also attach a Revocation of Power of Attorney and New Appointment and request that the Attorney Docket No. be changed from

Prior to the Examiner's review of the Claims of the above-referenced Application, please enter the following amendments.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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HKZ-029CPUS to IM-1-C1-PUS.

On page 1, please delete the present title of the invention and insert therefor: -- CANINE

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On page 1, following the title of the invention, please add the following paragraph:

--\Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application claims priority to international PCT Application No. PCT/US99/06187, filed March 19, 1999; which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/062,597,